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Morning Highlights

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HIGHLIGHTS

- There have been a total of 146 fires reported this year. Total acreage burned is 2,304 acres. There were 8 new fires reported yesterday. There are 19 active fires; 4 fires are located on military lands, 2 of them are in the Upper Yukon Zone, 1 fire in the Tanana Zone, 1 fire is located near Delta, 3 active fires in the Fairbanks area, 2 in the Kenai area, 1 fire is near Tok, 1 fire is located on the Chugach National Forest, and 4 in the Anchorage area. All of the active fires are being monitored closely.
- The Division of Forestry has issued a burn suspension due to the high fire danger in all Division of Forestry areas until further notice.
- A Red Flag Warning is in effect for interior and south central Alaska for today.
- A pilot reported a fire 48 miles southeast of Bettles, in the headwaters of the Hodzana River. Originally it was reported as 3 acres, burning in black spruce. The fire was monitored by plane in the afternoon and the pilot reported the fire had grown to 50 acres. It had run to the ridge top in black spruce and was creeping and backing downhill to the south with 5 ft. flame lengths. The fire plotted in a Limited Protection Management option area and was placed in monitor status. Lightning is listed as the cause of the fire.

• ADDITIONAL REFERENCES

- Alaska Interagency Coordination Center: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov>
 - Map of Current Fires: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/predsvcs/maps.php>
 - Situation Report: <http://fire.ak.blm.gov/content/aicc/sitreport/current.pdf>
- National Fire Situation: <http://www.nifc.gov/nicc/sitreprt.pdf>
- Creating Defensible Space: <http://firewise.org/> and <http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/forestry/pdfs/02firewise.pdf>
- Department of Transportation (Road Closure Info): (907) 451-2240, <http://511.alaska.gov>
- Division of Forestry, Burn Permit Info: (907) 451-2626, <http://www.dnr.state.ak.us/forestry/fire/>

- Department of Environmental Conservation (Smoke Concerns): <http://www.dec.state.ak.us/air/am/smoke.htm>
- National Parks Service: www.nps.gov/akso/Fire/firehome.htm
- National Weather Service: <http://www.nws.noaa.gov/>
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife: <http://www.fws.gov/fire/>
- USDA Forest Service: <http://www.fs.fed.us/fire/>
- Temporary Flight Restriction Information: <http://airspace.nifc.gov/mapping/nifc>
- Federal Aviation Administration: <http://www.faa.gov>

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